IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

in re Application of:)
Nobutaka NAKAMURA) Group Art Unit: 2112
Application No.: 09/702,755) Examiner: LEFKOWITZ, Sumati
Filed: November 1, 2000 For: USING CONSECUTIVE BLOCK IDs TO KEEP TRACK OF DATA TRANSFERRED ACROSS A SERIALLY LINKED BRIDGE	PECEIVED DUL 0 2 2004 Technology Center 2100
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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

<u>AMENDMENT</u>

This Amendment accompanies a Request for Continued Examination ("RCE"), fulfills the requirement for a submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, and is response to the Office Action mailed March 30, 2004, with a period for reply extending to June 30, 2004. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims and begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks follow the amendment section and begin on page 7 of this paper.